



2013-14 Statewide Dual Credit Challenge Examination Frequently Asked Questions

1) Is the Statewide Dual Credit Challenge Examination timed?

Yes, students will have 2 hours to complete the Dual Credit Challenge Examination.

2) Are all students enrolled in the statewide dual credit course required to take the examination?

Yes, all students enrolled in dual credit sections are required to take the Dual Credit Challenge Examination.

3) Are the students required to take the practice test?

No, students are not required to take the practice test. This is a tool to help students and teachers prepare for the dual credit challenge examination.

4) When will the practice test be available for students to take?

The practice test will be available from Monday, April 14 through Monday, April 21, 2014. Additional details regarding teacher and student log-in information will be released no later than mid-March. Each course contains at least one practice test, which the students should complete prior to taking the statewide dual credit challenge examination. The practice test will not be timed and the TDOE will not collect information related to student achievement from these test(s).

5) Where will students take the practice test/Challenge examination?

The practice test/End of Course assessment location is at the discretion of your school and/or district.

6) When will students take the dual credit challenge examination?

The testing window for the dual credit challenge examinations will be Monday, April 28 through Wednesday, May 14, 2014. Each instructor will be required to request and set up a specific testing time for their class. Additional details regarding test dates will be released no later than mid-March.



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7) Are any special software/program downloads required in order to run the test?

Yes. High schools are required to install Google Chrome or Firefox on each computer prior to the test being administered. The students should use Chrome or Firefox (not Internet Explorer) when opening the internet to begin the course. Note: Firefox is acceptable as long as the Flash plug-in is installed.

8) Is on-site technical assistance recommended during testing?

This will be a local decision. Due to various influences at the local level, such as size of district, local budgets, etc., school districts will need to make the decision that best addresses their needs. Additionally, our vendor will provide support via a help-desk to assist with any technological issues you encounter.

9) Are teachers who teach the class allowed to administer and/or to proctor the test?

The dual credit teachers may be in the room during the test administration (not required); an additional proctor must also observe the administration of the challenge examination. This is to ensure the integrity of the administration meets the same expectations as postsecondary examinations.

For additional course webinars and resources, please visit our website at <http://www.tn.gov/education/opca/index.shtml>.